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Cultural Affairs/Distinguished Lecture Series Grant Report Form

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Summary of Program for which grant funds were awarded, including a brief description, place where the program was held; and date and time:

The DLS grant of \$3000 funded most of the expenses of the visit of the keynote speaker, Dr. Sonya Michel, Professor of History, University of Maryland, College Park. While here she gave two presentations. She also met informally with faculty and graduate students.

"When I'm Sixty-Four: Old Age Security for Women in Historical Perspective"

Monday, March 19, 3:15 – 4:30 pm, Bangor Room, Memorial Union. This was co-sponsored by the History Dept. and served as the March event of its monthly series of visiting lecturers. (This determined the day and time.)

"All in the Family? Women and the Work of Care, Yesterday and Today"

Tuesday, March 20, 9:30 – 10:45 am, Bangor Room, Memorial Union. This was planned at the time as two classes related to this topic were scheduled: WST 340, Women and Globalization, and CHF 451, Family Relationships. (While it may seem that the connection to WST 340 is not clear, Dr. Michel talked about the cross-cultural differences in the work of care and currently the large percent of care workers in the U.S. who are immigrants.)

How many people attended the event(s)? If possible describe the different audiences that this program served (i.e. UMaine Students, general community, teachers, etc.).

The first event had an attendance of about 30. We expected the History Dept. to generate more students than they did. Also attending were Women's Studies students and faculty and UMaine faculty who teach courses on aging.

The second event was attended by the two classes mentioned above plus UMaine faculty (especially in Social Work) who teach courses on aging. The total was 55.

Others who attended either event were generally interested in Women's Studies.

Because there were reasons to schedule both of these events during the regular class time, neither drew too much from outside the University, although one woman who is writing a PhD thesis on aging for a degree at UMass-Boston attended both.

How was the event promoted? Please attach copies of promotional material.

See the enclosed flyer for the whole of Women's History Celebration. These were circulated to all campus employees and all students in Women's Studies classes including those classes in departments that receive Women's Studies credit. They were also mailed off campus to a select group. We created these and Printing Services printed and mailed them. We also produced the enclosed poster for these particular events internally which

was put up all over campus and in some local off-campus locations. Electronic notices of these particular events were also disseminated widely.

Please describe any modifications to program or budget made after award:

Our original proposal had been a visit by Dr. Jill Lapore, Professor of American History at Harvard University. She was unable to come this year, but we may very well try to get her to come next year. We had asked her to come because of her substantial article in The New Yorker on the history of Planned Parenthood. We continue to follow what she writes in that magazine and may ask her for next year. We were well satisfied with our choice for this year, however.

The Women's Resource Center provided all the funding for the visit of Dr. Lyn Mikel Brown because it was part of their celebration of their 20th anniversary.

Please attach a final budget to this form.

See the attached chart.

<u>Contributor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Put Toward</u>
Theatre/Dance	\$100	Arielle Greenberg-Bywater (\$100)
DLL	\$200	Direct Deposit/Revenue Account
Maine Humanities Initiative	\$100	WHC Brochure (\$100 put toward \$572.53)
Student Affairs/Robert Dana	\$200	Direct Deposit/Revenue Account
CLAS	\$300	WHC Brochure (\$100 put toward \$572.53)
Education & Human Development	\$200	Direct Deposit/Revenue Account
ME Business School	\$250	Direct Deposit/Revenue Account
VP Finance	\$500	Direct Deposit/Revenue Account
Provost	\$200 <u>2050</u>	Lobsters/reception (\$100 put toward \$144.66) Trudy Scee \$100
DLS	\$3000 (add but \$22.25)	<div> <div> Sonya Michel's honorarium \$2500 (HHS put in \$300 of their own) Sonya Michel's airfare & meal \$319.95 Sonya Michel's lodging \$144 Sonya Michel's meal \$13.80 </div> <div> ➤ (\$22.25) </div> </div>



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She is now back in the HTY Dept. at Maryland College Park.

Sonya Michel is currently on leave from the department and serving as Director of United States Studies at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars in Washington, D.C. From 2007-2009, she was Director of the Nathan and Jeanette Miller Center for Historical Studies in the Department of History.

Professor Michel's research and teaching center on the history of women, men, genders and sexualities and the history of poverty and social welfare, both in the U.S. and in comparative perspective. She is completing two book projects: a monograph, "Old Age Insecurity: Inequality and Instability in U.S. Retirement Provision, 1945 to the Present" (under contract to Princeton University Press for its series "Politics and Society in Twentieth-Century America," co-edited by William Chafe, Gary Gerstle, Linda Gordon, and Julian Zelizer); and a textbook, "Poverty and Social Policy in the United States: Historical and Transnational Perspectives," co-authored with Laura Frader, Sarah Rose, Richard Scotch (under contract to Routledge). Her chapter "Maternalism and Beyond" is forthcoming in the volume *Maternalism Reconsidered: Motherhood and Method in the Twentieth Century*, co-edited by Rebecca Jo Plant et al. (Berghahn).

Professor Michel's publications include *Civil Society, Public Space and Gender Justice: Historical and Comparative Perspectives*, co-edited with Gunilla Budde and Karen Hagemann (Berghahn, in its series "European Civil Society," co-edited by Dieter Gosewinkel and Jürgen Kocka); *Children's Interests / Mothers' Rights: The Shaping of America's Child Care Policy* (Yale University Press 1999); *Engendering America: A Documentary History*, with UMD colleague Robyn Muncy (McGraw-Hill 2000); and *The Jewish Woman in America* (with Charlotte Baum and Paula Hyman, Dial Press, 1975; paperback, NAL/Plume, 1976). She has co-edited *Child Care Policy at the Crossroads: Gender and Welfare State Restructuring* (with Rianne Mahon, Routledge 2002); *Mothers of a New World: Maternalist Politics and the Origins of Welfare States* (with Seth Koven, Routledge 1993); and *Behind the Lines: Gender and the Two World Wars* (with Margaret Higonnet, Jane Jenson and Margaret Weitz (Yale 1987; paperback, Yale, 1989). She is a founding co-editor of the journal *Social Politics: International Studies in Gender, State and Society* (published by Oxford University Press)

Sonya Michel has taught at Brown, Harvard, Brandeis, Princeton, the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and the University of Illinois at Chicago, where she was Director of the Gender and Women's Studies Program. She has received several awards, including Fulbright, NEH, Bunting (Radcliffe), Davis Center (Princeton), and Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars fellowships. She has served in various capacities for the American Historical Association, the Social Science History Association, and the European Social Science History Conference. In 2008 she co-authored a special report for the AHA on "Internationalizing Student Learning Outcomes in History".

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